

RESPONSE TO RESTRICTION

Applicants hereby elect group II without traverse. Should one or more linking claims be deemed allowable, Applicant respectfully requests rejoinder of any claims directed to any non-elected invention(s) previously withdrawn from consideration pursuant to MPEP § 809. Applicant respectfully requests examination of the linking claims together with the elected group pursuant to MPEP § 809.

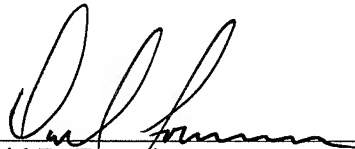
CONCLUSION

The pending claims are believed to be in condition for allowance. Early and favorable consideration is respectfully requested.

Respectfully submitted,

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